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Mr. Peale presented at the same time for the inspection of the members, another gold image, the surface of which bore no marks of the pickling process, which had been in his possession many years, and may have been obtained from the same localities.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer was read; and that of the Committee of Publication postponed to the next meeting.

Pending nomination No. 394 was read.

The special business of the meeting was then taken up, and the amendments to the laws recommended by the Committee in their report read May 6, 1859, were adopted with some few exceptions, pending the discussion of which the Society was adjourned.

Stated Meeting, December 16, 1859.

Present, thirty-three members.

Dr. Wood, President, in the Chair.

The following donations for the Library were announced:—

Journal of the Franklin Institute. No. 408.—*From the Institute.*
Medical News and Library. No. 204.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*
Journal Boston N. H. S. Vol. VII. No. 1. 1859.—*From the Soc.*
African Repository. Vol. XXXV. No. 12.—*Amer. Col. Society.*
Smithsonian Report for 1858. Sen. Doc.—*Hon. Thos. B. Florence.*
Cat. Library, Mass. Hist. S. Vol. 1, A–L. 8vo.—*From the Soc.*
Boston Pub. Lib. VII. Ann. Report. 1859. 8vo.—*From the Libr.*
Second Supple. to Index. Oct. 20, 1859. p. 8vo.—*From the same.*
Cat. Farmers' High School. Penna. 1859. 8vo.—*From Dr. Pugh.*
Prospectus Phila. and Europe. Steam Ship Co.—*From Cap. Randall.*
Quar. Journal Lond. Chem. Society. No. XLVII.—*From the Soc.*
De turcarum linguæ indole ac natura scripsit F. L. O. Roehrig. Pamp. 30 pp. Philadelphia. 8vo. 1860.—*From the Author.*

The reading of the obituary notice of Mr. Nuttall by Mr. Durand, was postponed to the next meeting.

The report of the Finance Committee was read, and the

appropriations therein recommended for the ensuing year were ordered to be made, viz:

For Journals, . . .	$50
„ Hall, . . .	300
„ Binding, . . .	50
„ Publications, . .	500
„ General Account, .	1800
Total,	$2700

Pending nomination No. 394, and new nominations Nos. 395, 396, were read.

The Annual Report of the Publication Committee, postponed from the last meeting, was read.

The Committee on the sale of the Hall reported the following recommendation, which was adopted:—

Resolved, That the President be requested to prepare and cause to be presented to the Congress of the United States a respectful memorial, in the name of the Society, setting forth the facts connected with the sale of the Hall of the Society to the United States, the action of the Officers of the Government thereon, and the authority given by Congress to sell the Hall as the property of the United States, and requesting the passage of a law directing the acceptance of the conveyance tendered by the Society for said property, and the payment of the purchase money due to it therefore. Signed F. Fraley, Charles B. Trego, Isaac Hays, W. Parker Foulke.

The resignations of Henry A. Boardman and George M. Wharton, members, were again read and accepted.

The deferred special business of the evening being in order, Judge Thompson's amendment to Mr. Fraley's substitute was discussed, and both amendment and substitute adopted.

Amendments to Chapter VII. were then adopted, and the Society adjourned.